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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Printing image data is converted into image data for a proofer through a print condition conversion process for converting CMYK for printing into $L^*a^*b^*$, a spot color reference process for converting a spot color name into $L^*a^*b^*$, a printer condition conversion process for converting $L^*a^*b^*$ into RGB for proof, and a composition process for synthesizing a process color with a spot color.